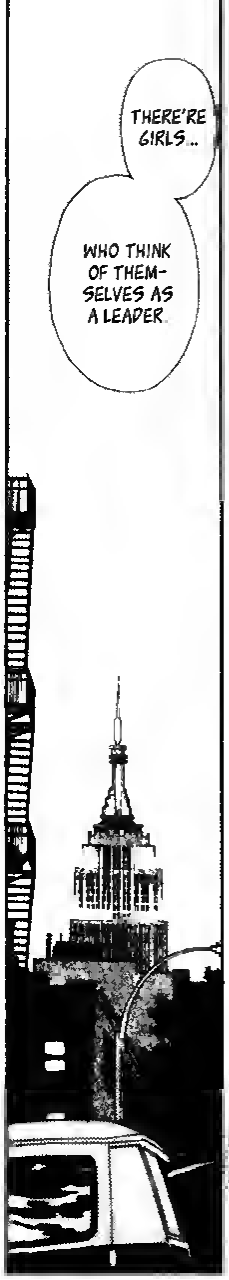
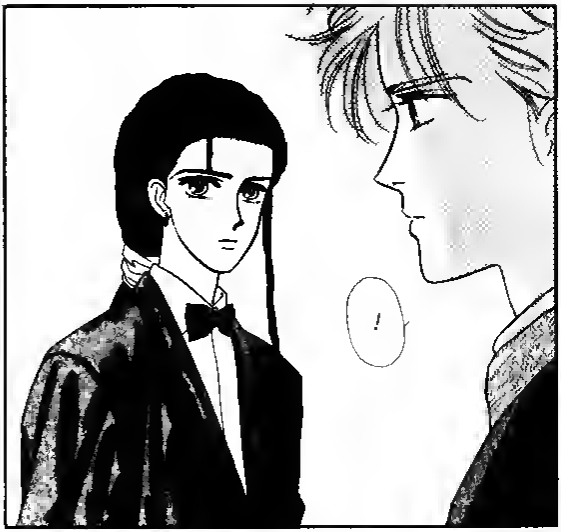
Shoujo Shounen by Yabuuchi Yu

cloudcake16's 1st Anniversary!

THANK YOU, CLOUDCAKE16!

I DON'T THINK SO.
LEVINE.
JUST FORGET ABOUT HER. SHE HAS A BAD PERSONALITY
AND LOOK AT HER CLOTHES.
I THINK THEY SUIT HER WELL.
I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A MACHO LADY IN MY LIFE.
SHUT UP!
I DON'T THINK YOU AND HER WOULD GET ALONG WELL
I KNOW YOU LIKE HER, BUT...
NO, YOU DIDN'T
SHE PUNCHED ME BECAUSE I MADE HER ANGRY


THERE'RE GIRLS..
WHO THINK OF THEM-SELVES AS A LEADER.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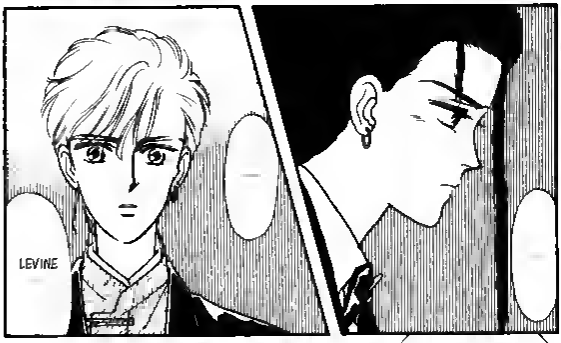
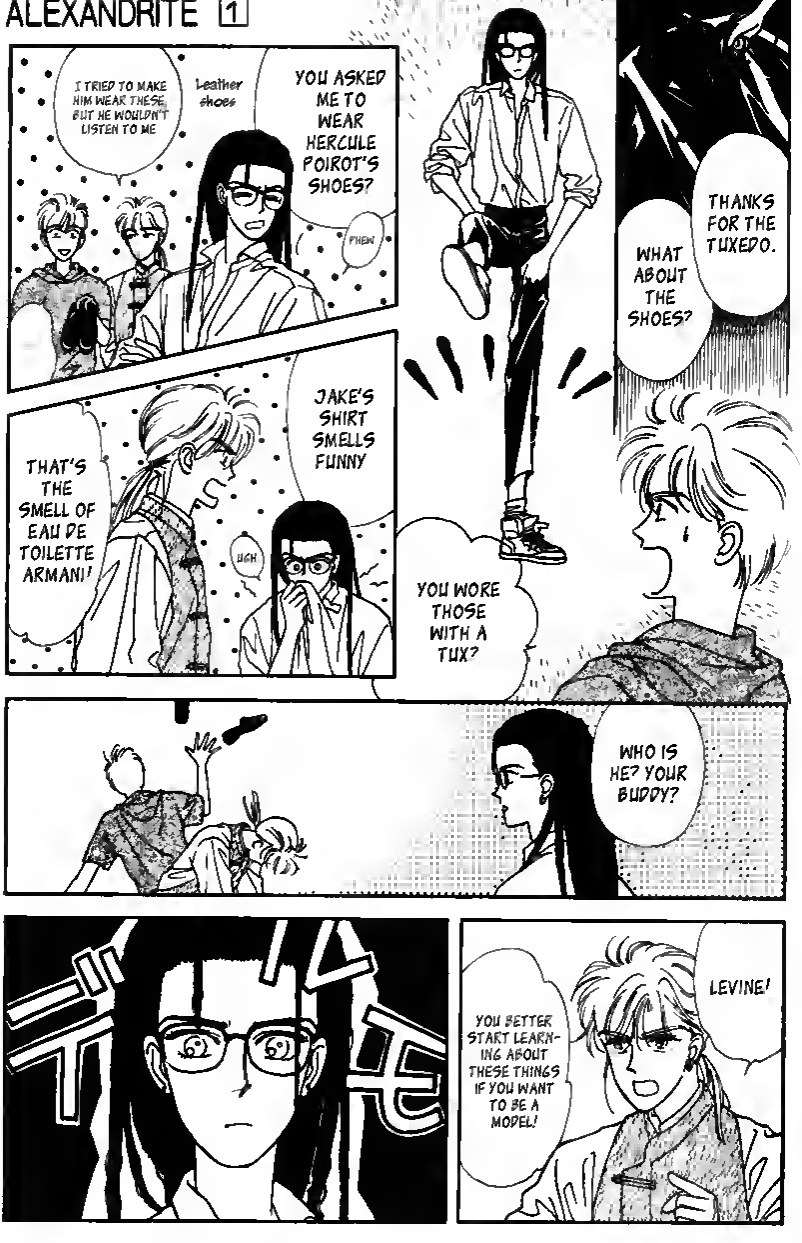

LEVINE

DON'T LOOK AT ME WITH THOSE PUPPY EYES. WERE YOU HAPPY BEING PUNCHED LIKE THAT?
SORRY

ONE DAY..
WHEN SHE WAS PROTECTING ME...
HER HANDS WERE SHIVERING.
IS THAT SO?
WHEN I STARTED A FIGHT, SHE WAS THE ONE WHO ALWAYS BROKE IT UP
AND AMBROSIA IS ONE OF THEM.
SHE WAS SCARED...
HER OPPONENTS WERE LIKE GIANTS.

HE'S SO CUTE
I FOUGHT USING MY BODY
I WAS EMBARRASSED
BECAUSE I COULDN'T PROTECT HER
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME
AREN'T YOU SCARIER THAN THOSE GIANTS?
WHAT? ME?
HEY, YOU'RE HOME ALREADY!
WHY ARE YOU ANGRY WITH ME?
YOU'VE ALWAYS FORGOTTEN ANYTHING RELATED TO PHYSICAL FIGHTS LIKE YOU BLOCK IT OUT
I GET IT NOW


I TRIED TO MAKE HIM WEAR THESE, BUT HE WOULDN'T LISTEN TO ME
Leather shoes
YOU ASKED ME TO WEAR HERCULE POIROT'S SHOES?
PHEW
THANKS FOR THE TUXEDO.
WHAT ABOUT THE SHOES?
JAKE'S SHIRT SMELLS FUNNY
THAT'S THE SMELL OF EAU DE TOILETTE ARMANI!
UGH
YOU WORE THOSE WITH A TUX?
WHO IS HE? YOUR BUDDY?
LEVINE!
YOU BETTER START LEARNING ABOUT THESE THINGS IF YOU WANT TO BE A MODEL!

SHUDDUP!
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE CAMERA-SHY? WHAT A WEIRDO
UGH. YOU JUST REMINDED ME ABOUT THAT
THEY SAID THAT THEY WOULD USE ME FOR THE NEXT SHOOT FOR DOCUMENTATION PURPOSES OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT
HO
HOW SLOW YOU'RE LIKE A GRANDPA
....
I HAVEN'T EVEN SLURPED IT YET
I SAY THINGS WITHOUT THINKING THEM THROUGH AND SOMETIMES END UP HURTING PEOPLE
THE SAME GOES FOR ME
EH?
BUT..
WE ALL HAVE A TRAIT THAT WE DISLIKE ABOUT OURSELVES, DON'T WE?

USUALLY, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT.
WE JUST NEED TO LEARN FROM EXPERIENCE.
COME TO THINK OF IT, DON'T YOU FEEL LUCKY?
AT LEAST YOU ALWAYS KNOW THE SOLU-TION.
"SOLU-TION"..
IT'S TRUE..

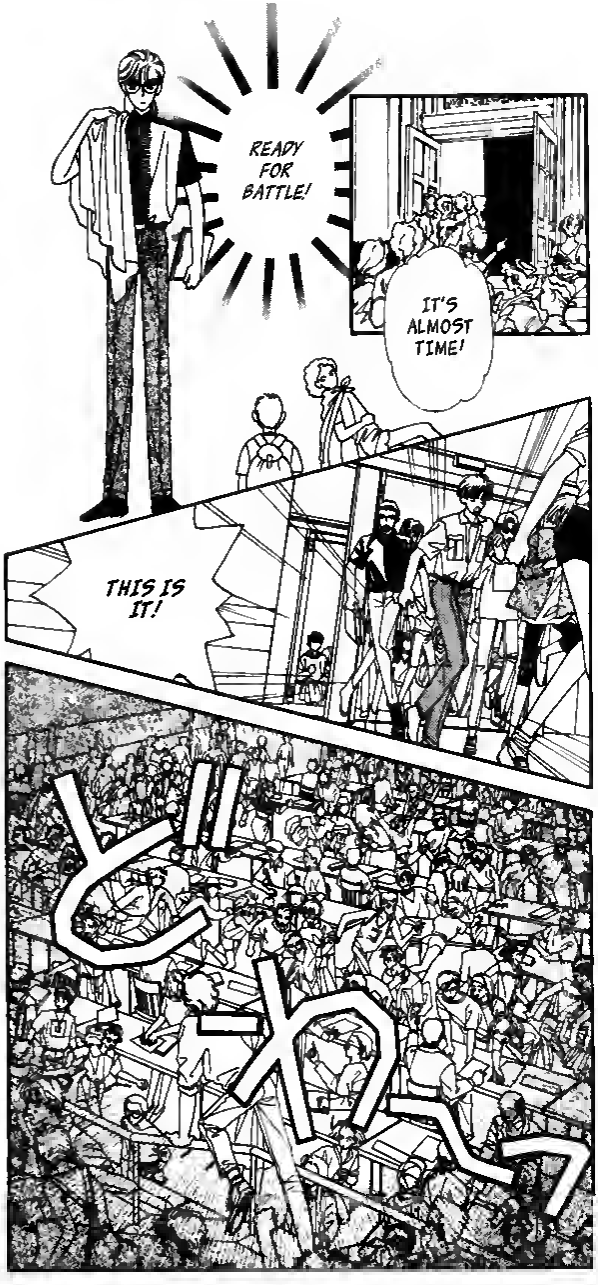
I HATED MYSELF..
AND WENT OFF TO A MOUNTAIN ALONE
THAT WAS THE TIME WHEN I MET MY NEW FATHER
WHEN I SAW AMBROSIA'S HANDS..
I COULDN'T SEE HER FACE..
THAT'S MY SOLUTION!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT ANYONE!

BE YOURSELF FOR YOURSELF.
I WISH I COULD EXPRESS THAT FEELING TO THE CAMERA.
CAN I CHANGE MYSELF?
OOF.
THIS WON'T DO.
I'LL HAVE TO GO FOR THE LATE REGISTRATION.

WE'VE BEEN ON THE WAITING LIST SINCE LAST NIGHT.
WHAT ABOUT YOU, LEVINE?
NAH, I'M FINE WITH MY SCHEDULE.
IF YOU DO IT, WE CAN STAY OVERNIGHT TOGETHER
BUT I HAVE A SHOOT TOMORROW
UGH.
I CAN'T PERSUADE HIM.
WHAT SHOOT?
A PART TIME JOB.
BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN ACCEPTED YET.
HEY, TOURISTS!
CHEES!
GOOD LUCK WITH IT.
YOU TOO.

Like those who didn't finish their paperwork yet or transfer students.
The process takes a long time.
the enrolment for the second group of students
And so...
The late registration is..
The way students spend their time.
Flirting.
Playing games.
Studying.
Learning other people's characteristics.

HUMANS ARE INTER-ESTING.
Sitting.
WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT PEOPLE?
Working out.
ARE YOU SCARED OF AIDS?
I HAVEN'T FOUND THE RIGHT ONE YET.
YOU ALWAYS FLIRT, BUT YOU HAVEN'T GOT A GIRLFRIEND YET.
IF YOU SAY SO.
IN LEVINE'S STORY, SHE SEEMED TO BE JUST SOME ORDINARY GIRL.
THAT GIRL IS CRAZY!
AMBROSIA!
BUT THIS ONE IS INDEED "CRAZY".


READY FOR BATTLE!
IT'S ALMOST TIME!
THIS IS IT!

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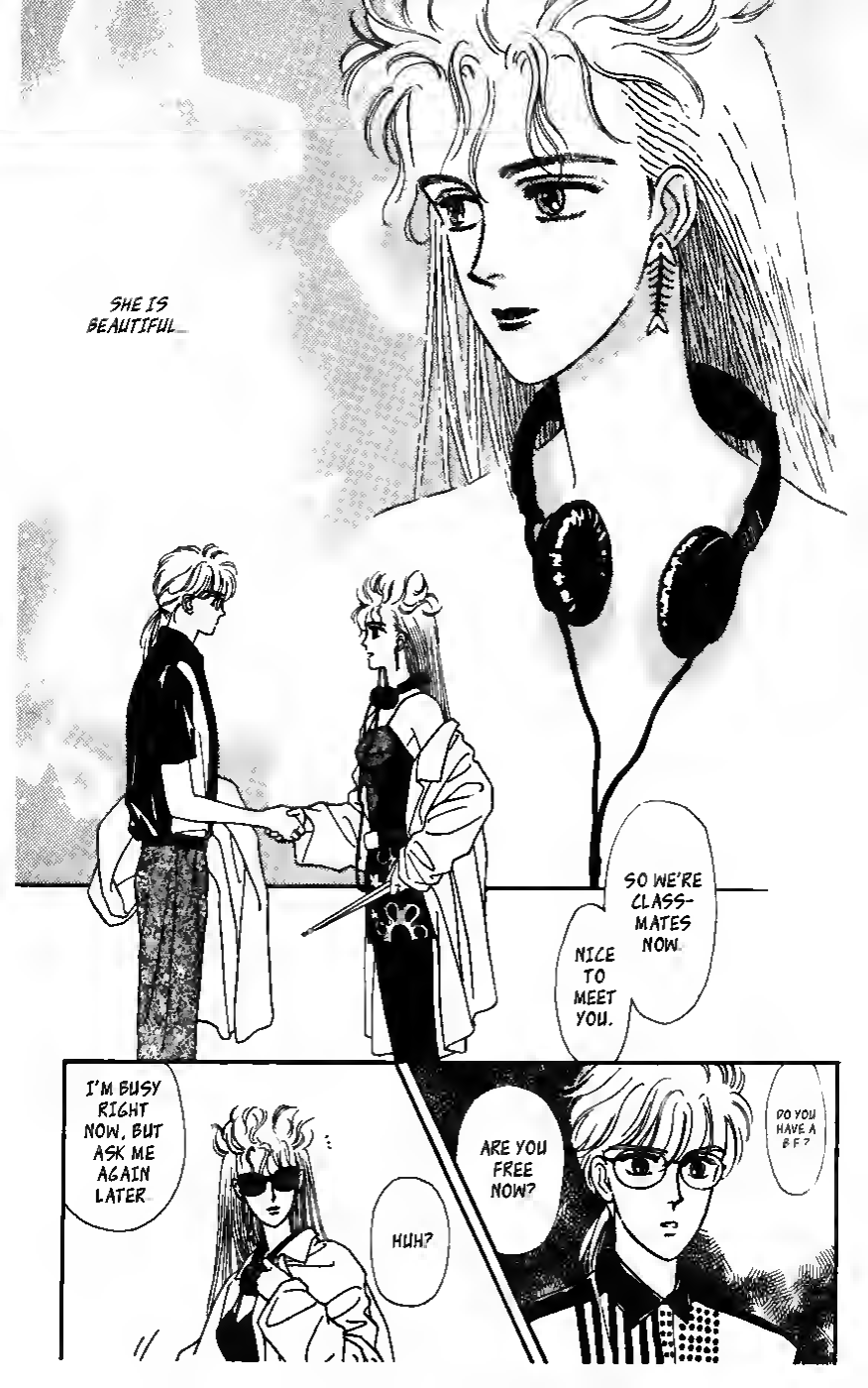
TOUCH
ORIENTAL STUDIES, TABLE NUMBER 112!
ORIENTAL STUDIES..
THERE IT IS!
AH!
ALEX'S FRIEND!
HUH?
I WON'T GIVE YOU THIS OPPORTUNITY NO MATTER WHAT YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALEX IS!
UGH!
THE SAME GOES FOR ME!
I WON'T LET YOU TAKE THIS CLASS!

HA...
HAHAHA-
HAHAHA!
THIS CLASS IS MY FIRST OPTION! IF I DON'T GET THIS ONE, I WON'T GET THE SECOND OR THIRD ONE EITHER!
THE WORST CASE SCENARIO IS THAT I HAVE TO TAKE A BONSAI CLASS!
WHAT?!
SERIOUSLY?
YOUR CASE IS WORSE THAN MINE.
FINE. I'LL GIVE THIS CLASS TO YOU, THEN.
I NEED TO HURRY! LATER!
AH!
AMBRO-
SIA!
THERE ARE STILL TWO PLACES LEFT
PLEASE SIGN THIS FORM

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT SHE WAS ACTUALLY A NICE PERSON.
WAS SHE SERIOUS?
AH...
YE..
YES, PLEASE
DO I HAVE TO SIGN THIS TOO?

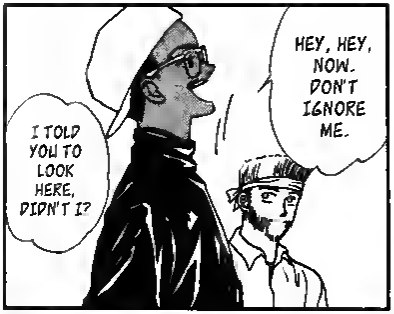

SHE IS BEAUTIFUL_
SO WE'RE CLASS-MATES NOW.
NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW, BUT ASK ME AGAIN LATER
HUH?
ARE YOU FREE NOW?
DO YOU HAVE A B.F.?

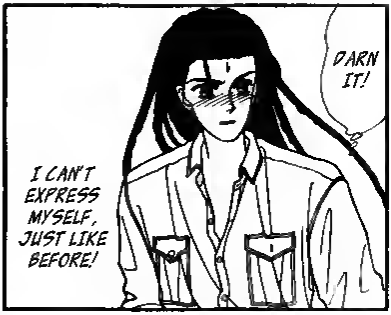
WHEN I WENT DOWN THE MOUNTAIN..
IT HAD BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'D SEEN AMBROSIA AND WANTED TO MEET HER SOON.
HER OVERALL LOOK, HER PERSONALITY..
HORA! HORA! MOVE ON!
SHE'S NOT BAD AT ALL..
METROPOLIT
LUMBER

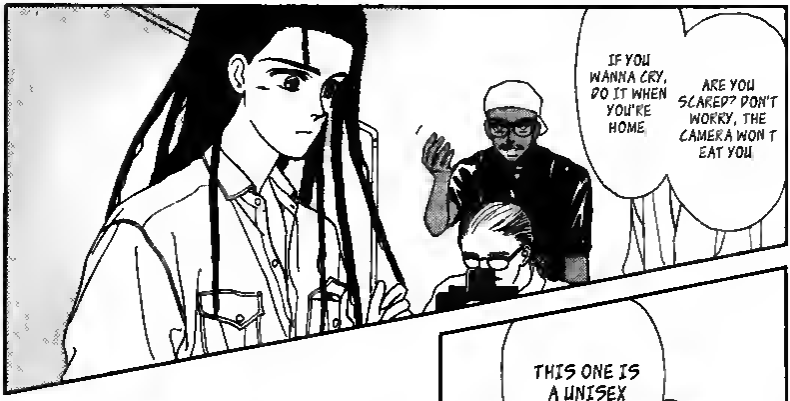
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME...
I REALIZED HOW BEAUTI-FUL SHE WAS
STUDIO 501
501

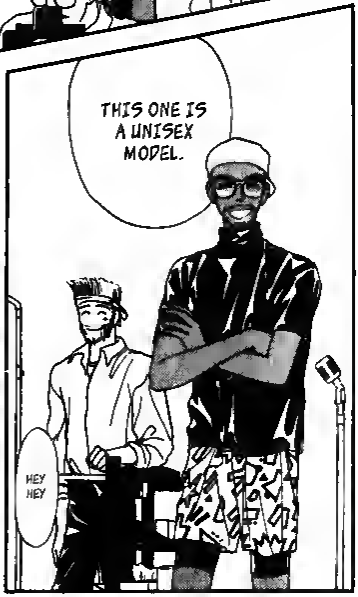
KNOCK KNOCK
MAY I COME IN?
YO, MIKE!
IS THERE ANYONE GOOD?
THIS IS A NEW MODEL

...
THAT LADY...
WHERE DOES SHE COME FROM?
WHAT AN INTER-ESTING HAIR.
SKINNY, YET PRO-POR-TIONAL
OKAY, PLEASE LOOK HERE!
SO PRETTY
IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME GOING OUT WITHOUT YOUR MOMMY?
DON'T BE NERVOUS, BOY!
GULP!
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAS IN-CREASED!


HEY, HEY, NOW. DON'T IGNORE ME.
I TOLD YOU TO LOOK HERE, DIDN'T I?


DARN IT!
I CAN'T EXPRESS MYSELF, JUST LIKE BEFORE!


IF YOU WANNA CRY, DO IT WHEN YOU'RE HOME.
ARE YOU SCARED? DON'T WORRY, THE CAMERA WON'T EAT YOU.


THIS ONE IS A UNISEX MODEL.
HEY HEY

カミナ
TALK TO HIM AGAIN, MIKE!
DON'T BE SO STIFF! KEEP MOVING!
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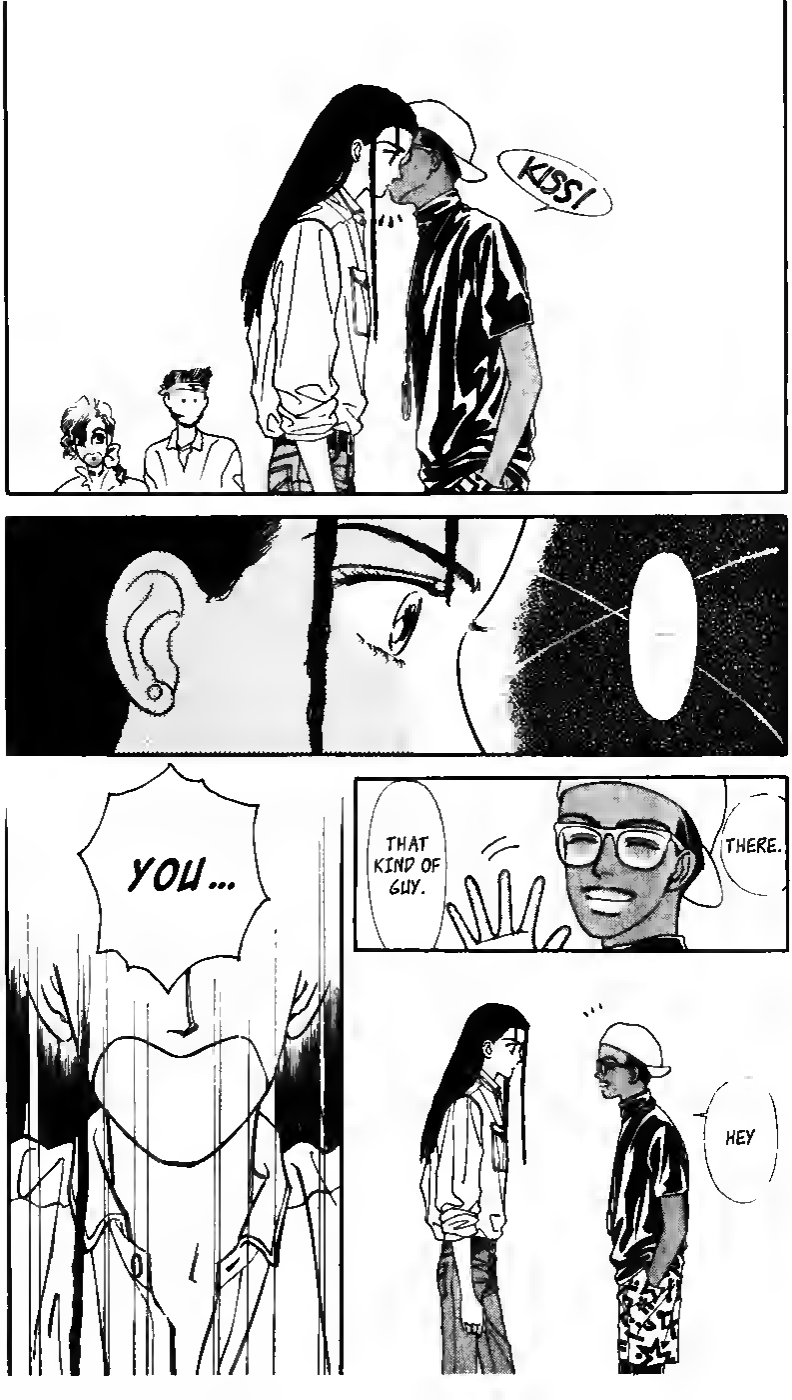
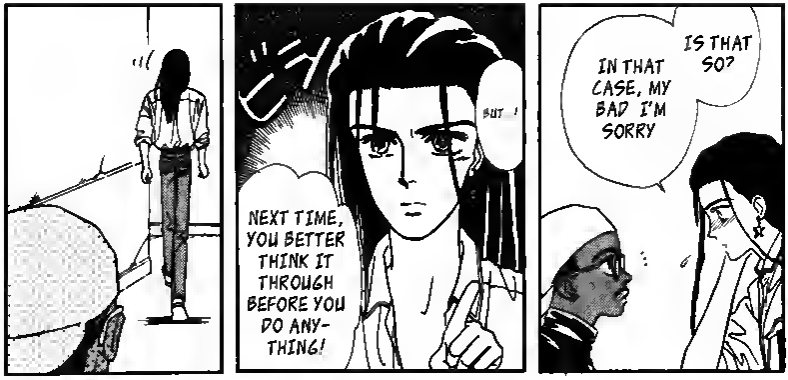
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK!
SEE YOU
HEY, HEY, WAIT UP!
OH

HEH
THE LAST SHOT WAS GREAT!
GOOD JOB!
THANKS
SEE YOU
UM...
WHAT KIND OF PERSON ARE YOU?
EH?


KISS!
THAT KIND OF GUY.
THERE.
YOU...
HEY

SH!
GOTTA...
BE KIDDING ME!
YOU ASSUMED I WAS GAY?!
I'M TELLING YOU NOW! I'M STRAIGHT, MAN!
YOU'RE SUCH AN INTERESTING GUY.
HUH?


BUT !
NEXT TIME, YOU BETTER THINK IT THROUGH BEFORE YOU DO ANY-THING!
IS THAT SO?
IN THAT CASE, MY BAD I'M SORRY

EVEN THOUGH HE'S NOT GAY MIKE?
YOU STILL LIKE HIM...
HE HAS.
INTER-ESTING CHARAC-TER

I WANNA THANK HIM FOR THAT PUNCH

I'M TIRED
WHAT WAS WITH THAT GUY?
I'M SURE I'VE SEEN HIM ON TV AND IN MAGAZINES.
IF I ACTUALLY GET THIS JOB, I'LL PROBABLY MEET HIM AGAIN...
I HOPE IT DOESN'T HAPPEN, THOUGH
THE STORY OF THAT KING IS STILL TOO FAR AWAY TO COME TRUE.
IL BACCARA

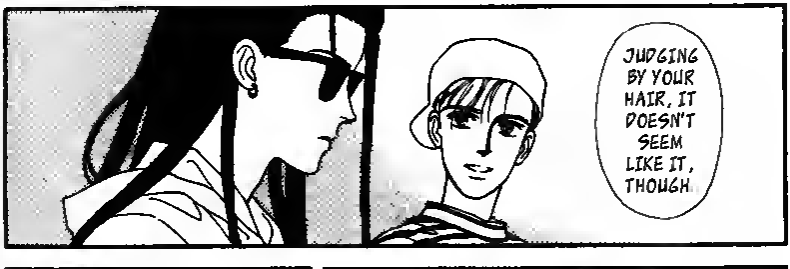
YO, LEVINE!
WANNA DO THE ANTHROPOLOGY HOMEWORK TOGETHER?
SURE. WHY NOT?
I HAVE 2 PAPERS TO DO.
ME TOO.
A PAPER IS AN ESSAY.
MENU
HI.
MOST STUDENTS HAVE PART-TIME JOBS.
AND A PARTY EVERY WEEKEND
A GROUP GATHERED TOGETHER TO SEARCH THE TEXTBOOKS.
THERE'RE A LOT OF THEM AND THEY ARE DIFFICULT.

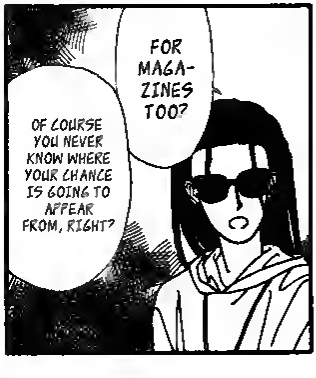
THAT WAY, I CAN MEET FAMOUS PEOPLE
DON'T YOU REALIZE THAT YOU'RE FAMOUS TOO?
I HAVE A PART-TIME JOB TOO
THREE TIMES A WEEK AT THE EDITORIAL MAGAZINE
DO YOU WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR WRITING SKILLS?
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO DO ALL OF THAT?
NOT TO MENTION DATES.
?
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
HOW DID THE SHOOTING GO?
WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU REMINDED ME OF SOMETHING I DIDN'T WANNA REMEMBER!

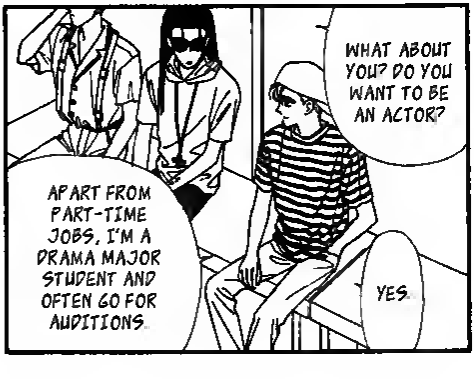
I STARTED WEARING SUN-GLASSES..
BECAUSE MY PAST LIFE WAS SO DE-PRESSING
IT'S GOTTEN MUCH BETTER NOW, BECAUSE
I CAN TELL HIM ABOUT ANYTHING
DON'T BE SO HAPPY LIKE THAT!
BEING FRIENDS WITH YOU MEANS THAT I NEED TO BE CAREFUL!
HOW MEAN
SORRY HERE, HAVE MINE
BUT..
THIS JOB IS A PROBLEM ON ITS OWN.
I'M SORRY..
YOU FAILED THE LAST SHOOT

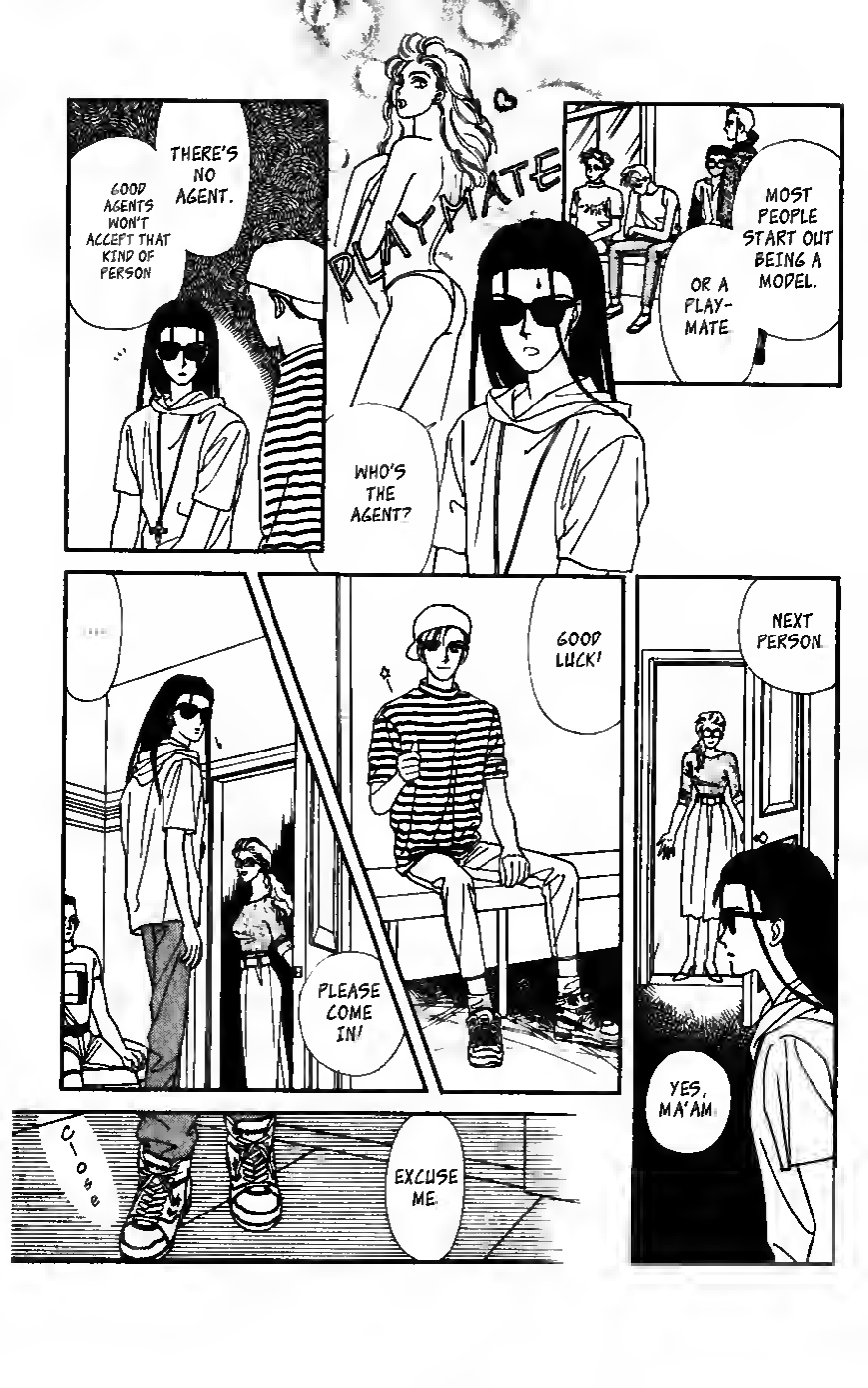
Monsoons
SIMPLE MINDS LET THERE BE LOVE
I REALLY AM SORRY.
DON'T BE. WE CAN TRY AGAIN.
GULP
IT WAS FAILED BECAUSE OF AN INCOMPLETE DOCUMENT?
OKAY THAT'S MUCH BETTER
JUST THINK 'THIS IS MY JOB'
IF YOU'RE NOT SURE WHETHER OR NOT THE NEXT ONE WILL SUCCEED, JUST CANCEL IT
I DON'T LIKE TO DISAP-POINT LADIES.
THIS BOY..
THE THIRD AUDITION IS FOR A MAGAZINE
?
OKAY

HEY
DO YOU WANT TO BE AN ACTOR TOO?
UM.
WHAT SHOULD I DO TO PASS THIS ONE?
I HAVE TO DO MY BEST FOR HER TOO.


JUDGING BY YOUR HAIR, IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE IT, THOUGH.


FOR MAGA-ZINES TOO?
OF COURSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHERE YOUR CHANCE IS GOING TO APPEAR FROM, RIGHT?


WHAT ABOUT YOU? DO YOU WANT TO BE AN ACTOR?
APART FROM PART-TIME JOBS, I'M A DRAMA MAJOR STUDENT AND OFTEN GO FOR AUDITIONS.
YES.


THERE'S NO AGENT.
GOOD AGENTS WON'T ACCEPT THAT KIND OF PERSON
PLAYMATE
MOST PEOPLE START OUT BEING A MODEL.
OR A PLAY-MATE
WHO'S THE AGENT?
GOOD LUCK!
PLEASE COME IN!
NEXT PERSON
YES, MA'AM
EXCUSE ME.
CLOSE

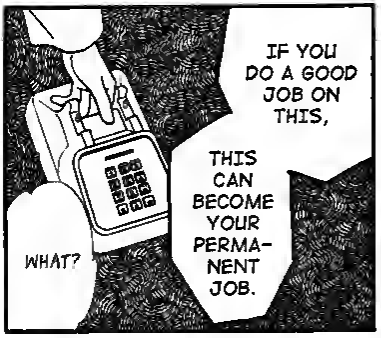
WHAT THE ..?
...
JUST STAND UP.
WE'LL ASK YOU SOME QUESTIONS AND HE'LL TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU
SURE.
IS THAT A SAMBA WHISTLE?
WHY ARE YOU WEARING IT?
AH, THIS IS.
DO YOU BLOW IT AND DANCE AT THE SAME TIME?
SAMBA DE LIO!
NOPE
THIS IS A REPLACEMENT FOR MY BIKE'S HORN
LIKE A BIKE MESSENGER.
AH, SO THAT'S YOUR BIKE DOWNSTAIRS?

NOPE!
WHAT A WEIRDO!
SO
MAIS
DO YOU USE IT TO ASK PEOPLE TO DANCE WITH YOU?
DO YOU GO TO THE DANCE HALL? ARE YOU SCARED?
NOPE
That's why I grew my hair long.
YOUR HAIR IS IT FOR FASHION?
YUP
I LIKE REGGAE
I KNOW YOU NEED TO BE CAREFUL
I KNOW THERE'RE SOME PEOPLE LIKE THAT, BUT SO FAR, NOBODY WAS KILLED
GUN
SHOT!

*P/R note A famous Japanese venue used mostly for concerts.

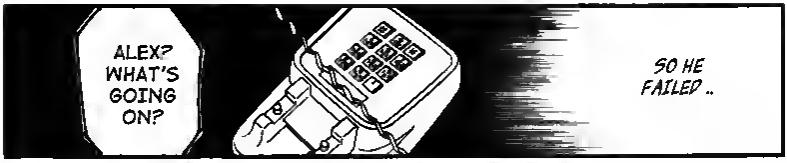
ALEXANDRITE 1

WHAT?!
YOU'VE GOT THE JOB!
CONGRATULATIONS, ALEX!


IF YOU DO A GOOD JOB ON THIS,
THIS CAN BECOME YOUR PERMANENT JOB.
WHAT?

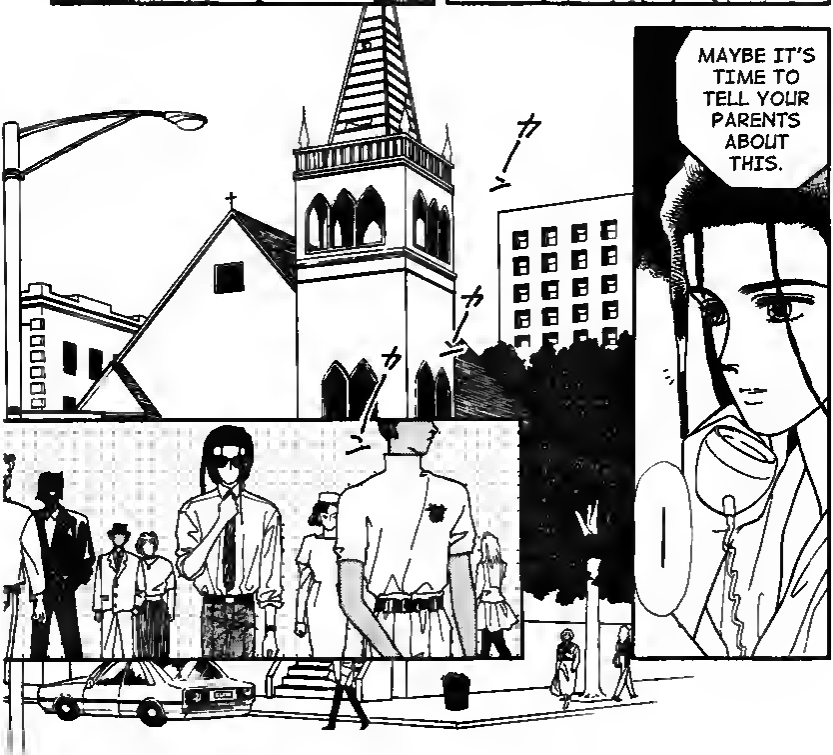
ONLY ONE PERSON.
AH.
HOW MANY PEOPLE GET THE JOB?

DON'T BE SO SURPRISED
YES, I AM SERIOUS.
ME? GOT THE JOB? ARE YOU SERIOUS?


ALEX? WHAT'S GOING ON?
SO HE FAILED ..

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ANYONE ELSE. YOU JUST NEED TO THINK ABOUT YOURSELF.
YOU GOT THIS JOB. PERIOD.

NO, I'M JUST THINKING... EVERYONE WAS DOING THEIR BEST.
AND I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING SPECIAL.


MAYBE IT'S TIME TO TELL YOUR PARENTS ABOUT THIS.

RAPHAEL. BE A GOOD BOY, OKAY?
AH, ALEX!
COME HERE!
CAN'T YOU CHANGE YOUR HAIR-STYLE?
YES!
YES!
BLESS-ING...
YES!
UM...
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED A BIT.
BROTH ERS...
THIS MORN ING...

I CAN'T
PRAY
I JUST ASKED IF YOU COULD CHANGE YOUR HAIRSTYLE!
YES!
YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SORRY!
YOUR LIGHT...
SORRY
OH YEAH
WE PRAY
DEAR, PLEASE STOP! DON'T DO ANYTHING SILLY IN HERE!
DARN IT!
I DON'T CARE IF HE DIES! LET ME GO!

I WAS BORN TO HAVE A BAD RELATIONSHIP WITH MY FATHER!
LEVINE
WH... WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHEN'S YOUR FATHER'S BIRTHDAY?
JUNE 30TH...
BUT CANCER AND PISCES ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE GOOD RELATIONSHIPS
I DON'T BELIEVE IN THAT STUFF!
CALM DOWN. JUST TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON
I GOT MY FIRST JOB AS A MODEL
BUT I FAILED TO TELL MY FATHER ABOUT IT

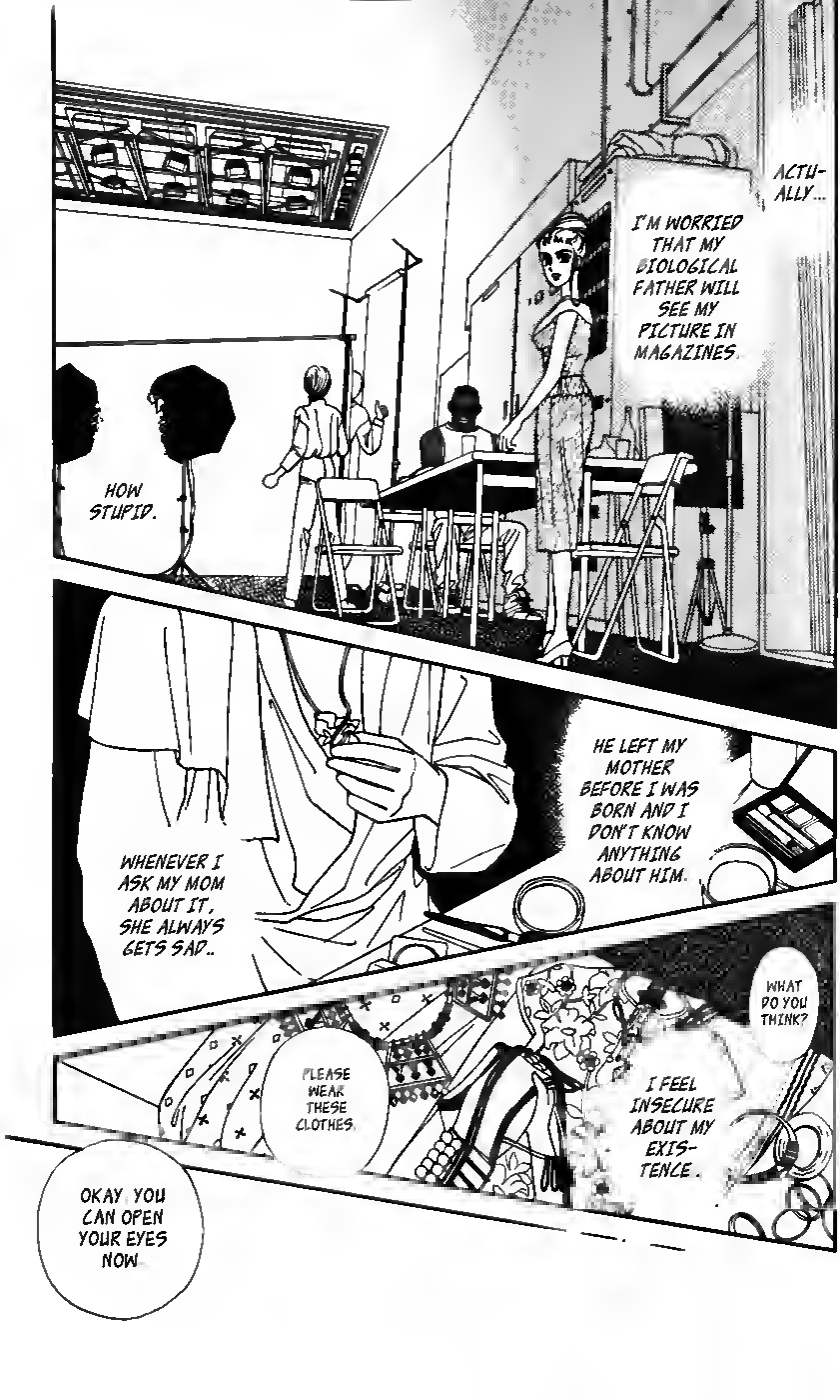
LEVINE-KUN! CONGRATULATIONS!
OSH!
AH
I FORGOT TO TELL YOU ABOUT MY FIRST JOB.
EH?
WHAT'S WITH THE PARTY?!
WE NEED TO CELEBRATE, DON'T WE?
YOU GOT IT? FOR SURE?!
YE.. YES.
YO, ALEX! I'VE BROUGHT SOME DRINKS!

A PART-TIME JOB AS A MODEL? WHAT WILL YOU DO?
I KNOW, BUT...
HERE, DRINK IT
BESIDES, EVERYONE'LL KNOW ABOUT IT WHEN THE MAGAZINE COMES OUT ANYWAY
I DID THIS FOR YOU. YOU SHOULD THANK ME INSTEAD
JAKE!
WHAT KIND OF MAGAZINE IS THAT?
SO DO I.
WN? OF COURSE I DO!
AWE-SOME!
I'M GOING TO DO THE FASHION PAGE FOR "WN" MAGAZINE
DO YOU KNOW THE MAGA-ZINE?
YOU BETTER LEARN ABOUT THIS STUFF FROM NOW ON!
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL
I NEVER BUY MAGA-ZINES, OKAY!
YOU DIDN'T KNOW?

A MONTHLY MAGAZINE THAT IS PACKED WITH ARTICLES
THIS IS A CULTURE MAGA-ZINE
LOOK WHAT HAPPENS!
THIS ONE IS THE LAST ISSUE
INSIDE
NEXT MO
WN IS A SHORT FOR WHAT'S NEW?
GLOBAL EVE
DESIGN - RETRO
IT WAS STARTED BY FASHION STUDENTS
JUST PICTURE SOMETHING LIKE "I.D." OR "TIME OUT".
THAT'S NOT IT!
ID CARD?

It's the name of a magazine!

WHO ARE YOU TALKING TO?
I BUY IT EVERY MONTH!
IN SHORT,
THERE RE A LOT OF ARTICLES ABOUT FASHION, MUSIC, AND ART CLUBS IN THIS MAGAZINE
HEY!
BE CONFIDENT!
I'M NOT FASHIONABLE PLUS, I LIKE WEARING SUNGLASSES
THAT'S TRUE
THIS IS SUCH A HIGH-GRADE MAGAZINE DO YOU THINK I'M REALLY SUITABLE?
LIKE BRUCE WEBBER OR NICK NIGHT
YOU'LL PROBABLY MEET AND BEFRIEND FAMOUS PEOPLE.
DON'T FORGET TO INTRODUCE US TO BEAUTIFUL MODELS
SEND US FREE TICKETS TOO!
YOU GUYS..!
YOU WERE A MODEL BEFORE, WEREN'T YOU?
REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE ON THE JAPANESE MAGAZINE?


ACTUALLY...
I'M WORRIED THAT MY BIOLOGICAL FATHER WILL SEE MY PICTURE IN MAGAZINES.
HOW STUPID.
HE LEFT MY MOTHER BEFORE I WAS BORN AND I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM.
WHENEVER I ASK MY MOM ABOUT IT, SHE ALWAYS GETS SAD..
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
I FEEL INSECURE ABOUT MY EXISTENCE.
PLEASE WEAR THESE CLOTHES.
OKAY, YOU CAN OPEN YOUR EYES NOW.

WOW! HE'S SO PRETTY!
IT'S ME?
STOP IT, YOU TWO!
YOU CAN GO TO THE PARTY NOW, CINDERELLA.

EH? YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE CONCEPT?
NOT A CLUE!
MIKE! PLEASE TELL HIM ABOUT IT!
WH...
WHAT'S WITH THIS OUTFIT!?
NOPE. IT'S BETTER IF WE DON'T SAY ANYTHING TO HIM.
YO!

BUT YOU WEREN'T THERE DURING THE AUDITION!
HUH?
I'LL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHOOTING
OKAY
LET'S START RIGHT AWAY
I DECIDED TO USE YOU FROM THE BEGINNING
THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOUR AGENT AND ASKED FOR YOU TO COME TO THE AUDITION
GOOD LUCK
NO WAY!
HERE, WEAR THIS

DON'T TELL ME..
HE..!
THIS ONE IS A UNISEX MODEL
DARN IT!
DARN IT! DARN IT! DARN IT!

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